

# Blessings

I knelt to pray when day was done  
 And prayed, "O Lord, bless every-  
 one,  
 Lift from each saddened heart the  
 pain  
 And let the sick be well again."  
  
 And then I woke another day  
 And carelessly went on my way,  
 The whole day long I did not try  
 To wipe a tear from any eye.  
 I did not try to share the load  
 Of any brother on the road.  
  
 I did not even go to see  
 The sick man just next door to me.  
 Yet once again when day was done  
 I prayed, "O Lord, bless every-  
 one."  
  
 But as I prayed, into my ear  
 There came a voice that whispered  
 clear,  
 "Pause now, my son, before you  
 pray.  
 Whom have you tried to bless  
 today?  
  
 God's sweetest blessing always go  
 By hands that serve him here  
 below."  
 And then I hid my face and cried,  
 "Forgive me, God, I have not  
 tried, But let me live another day  
 And I will live the way I pray."  
 Author Unknown

# Seven Year Anniversary

On September 15, 2011, Dr. Kramer celebrates seven years of ministry at Rejoice Christian Center. To celebrate this milestone a special dinner is being planned by Chef John on Sunday, September 18. Dr. Kramer extends a welcome to all that can attend this service and dinner.

Fifty-nine years ago Dr. L. D. Kramer started his preaching ministry. His first message was preached from the pulpit of First Assembly of God, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

L.D.'s parents, Ivan and Beatrice Kramer, planted First Assembly in 1940. The elder Kramers lived a life of faith and taught great faith lessons to their children. L. D.'s father suffered with a bad back for many years. Brother Ivan Kramer was assured by God that his back would be healed if he would plant First Assembly. Today First Assembly of God in Cedar Rapids, Iowa has a Sunday morning attendance of over 3,600 souls.

The message of faith in God stirred the Kramer home. As the family walked by faith, God proved Himself to be true and alive. That message captivated the heart of Lowell Dale Kra-

mer or as we call him L. D. Kramer. When we talk to Dr. Kramer today those early days in Cedar Rapids still stir his heart. One of the reasons Dr. Kramer keeps the food assistance program at Rejoice Christian Center

He celebrates a life dedicated to reaching mankind with the Gospel.

Most men Dr. Kramer's age have quit and retired years ago. However, Dr. Kramer continues to carry on for the cause of Christ.

That's why Dr. Kramer invites you to celebrate this special day with him. It is more than a celebration of seven years of ministry at Rejoice Christians Center. This is a celebration of what God will do for any man that will hold forth the Word of God to their generation and beyond.

As with any special event at Rejoice Christian Center, there will be the anointed music and singing of Sister Phyllis Johnson. Chet and Karen Prieue will provide some of the best Gospel Music in the Twin Cities, and Dr. Kramer will be preaching a stem-winder of a message on faith.

Plan now to attend this great service on Sunday, September 18, 10:15 AM.

Perhaps you know someone that is struggling or needs a word of encouragement. This will be the place to be on September 18.



First Assembly of God  
 Cedar Rapids, Iowa circa 1944  
 Dr. Kramer is somewhere in this picture

active is because he remembers days when his mother would pray in the needs of her family for the day. He knows first hand what a blessing it was when someone was touched by the voice of God and showed up with a loaf of bread.

L.D.'s first message was on the *Life of Faith*. From that point on, Dr. Kramer has preached faith, lived faith and been an example of faith.

On September 15, 2011, Dr. Kramer celebrates more than seven years of ministry at Rejoice Christian Center.

# Pneumatology

I hope we haven't discouraged you by using a word that you don't understand. It is really very easy to see and understand when one breaks it down into some common words.

*Pneuma* comes from the Greek word meaning *breath* or *air*. Perhaps you are familiar with the idea of pneumatic tools or tools run by air. In our study we will see that the idea of breath comes from God. God



*breathed into man His breath or Spirit, Genesis 2:7, and man became an eternal being.*

Therefore, mankind has an eternal link to the Spirit of God. We call the Spirit of God the Holy Spirit.

The second part of Pneumatology is the word *ology* simply meaning *words*

or *the study of the words* about the Holy Spirit.

During this study we will see how the Holy Spirit desires to relate to man, how man relates to the Holy Spirit, and the outcome of that relationship.

Our classes will start on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 6:30 PM. Class sessions are 1 1/2 hours in length. If you would like credit for this course the cost is \$125.00. If you do not desire credit a free-will offering box will be provided. Our teacher is Dr. Dan Cole.

## The Challenge of Labor

On Sunday, September 4, 2011, Dr. Kramer will be bringing a timely message entitled: *The Challenge of Labor*.

Labor Day was initiated in 1882 as an act of congress to recognize the strength of the American worker. The day for this recognition was set as the first Monday in Sep-

tember each year and has not changed since set by congress in 1882.

Labor Day has also been recognized by



most Americans as the end of summer. The State Fair ends, public pools and beaches close, public schools will start and the squirrels heat up on the nut gathering. Yes folks, it is that time of year.

However, Dr. Kramer's message is sure to warm your heart and challenge you to go on for God.

## A Day of Service and Remembrance

Sunday, September 11, 2011 is the 10th Anniversary of the vicious attacks by Muslim extremists that culminated in the deaths of 2,977 American citizens.



We honor the lives of those that died on 9/11. We remember the rescue workers that worked so valiantly to save countless lives, and those that

lost their lives.

And we will not forget our American Service personnel that have fought, are fighting, and have given their lives to help keep America free.

A special time of remembrance will be observed in our Morning Worship Service - 10:15 AM.

# Gospel Jam

Gospel Jam is a highlight of the month at Rejoice Christian Center. In September the Jam will take place on Sunday evening, September 25, 6:30 PM.

Led by Chet and Karen Priewe, the Gospel Jam has become a very popular Sunday night event. In August the attendance was excellent and



everyone had an exciting time.

Some interesting new musicians and singers have been added to the blend of rich harmonies and vocals.

One such musician is Gary Story. Gary is an accomplished musician and song writer.

He has produced a CD with the

Priewe's recording company Krystal Clear Studios of Eagan, Minnesota.



This is one event in the month that you will not want to miss. Everyone is invited to Gospel Jam. You never know who will show up to sing or play a tune for Jesus.

There is no admission charged to Gospel Jam. A free-will offering will be received.

# Billy Graham Classics

Every Sunday evening at 6:30 PM, Dr. Kramer will be showing a Classic Billy Graham DVD.

Not only will you hear the classic preaching of Billy Graham, you will also hear the



stirring anthems of George Beverly Shea. Be blessed by hearing Ethel Waters sing: *His Eye Is On The Sparrow*. And

hear Cliff Barrows lead the Crusade Choir in: *Just As I Am*.

If you enjoy the classic preaching of Evangelist Billy Graham, you will be blessed by this series.

No admission will be charged. A free-will offering will be received for Rejoice Christian Center at each session.

# Harvest of Haiti (Stenio Capre Ministries)

In the Caribbean, southeast of Cuba, is the island of Haiti. Christopher Columbus discovered the island in 1492... To exploit the island, Frenchmen went to Africa and brought slaves...slaves got together on the night of August 15th 1791, they had a great voodoo ceremony and sacrificed a pig to the voodoo gods, and

made a covenant with them...if you set us free from slavery you will be



our only gods to worship in the island for ever...So starts the testimo-

ny of Stenio Capre.

You can hear Stenio and the vision God has given him for the country of Haiti on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 6:30 PM. You will not want to miss hearing this mighty man of God. An offering for Stenio's Haiti mission will be received during this service.

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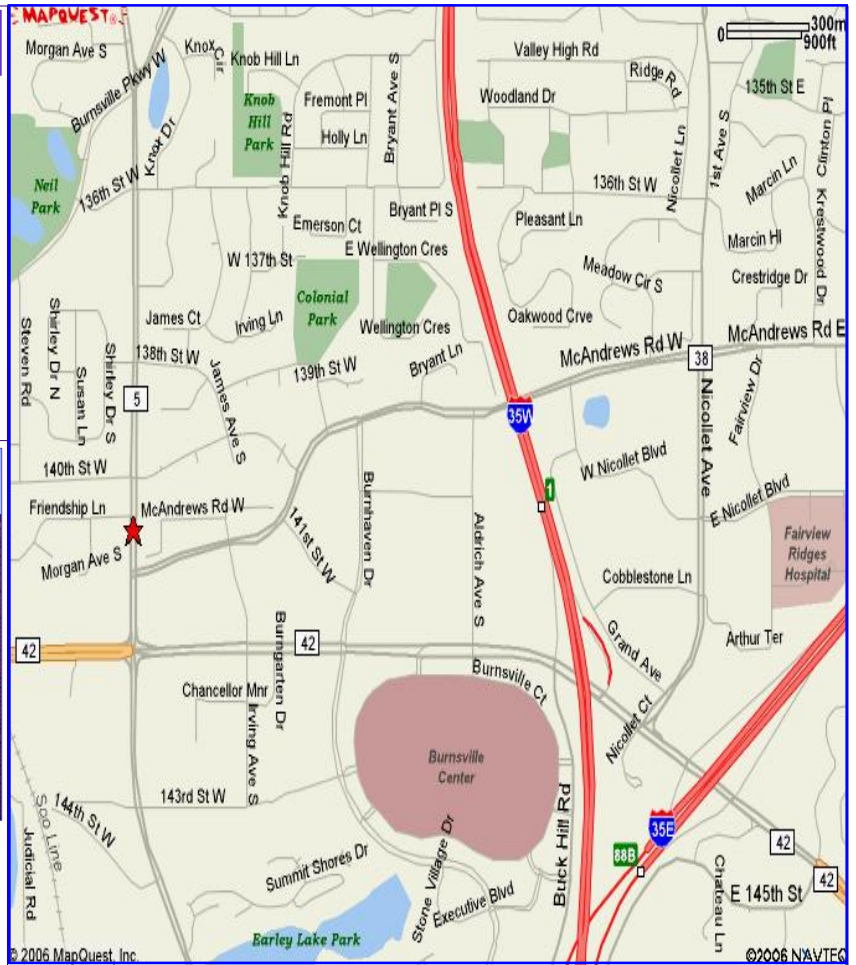
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# September 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				No Class 1	2	3
Bible Study - 9:15 AM 4 Hour of Power - 10:15 AM Graham DVD - 6:30 PM	Labor Day 5 Office Closed	6	Prayer 6:30 - 7:30 PM DVD Discussion - Following 7	Bible Way Institute 8 6:30 PM	9	10
Bible Study - 9:15 AM 11 Hour of Power - 10:15 AM Graham DVD- 6:30 PM	12	13	Prayer 6:30 - 7:30 PM DVD Discussion - Following 14	Bible Way Institute 15 6:30 PM	16	17
Bible Study - 9:15 AM 18 Hour of Power - 10:15 AM 7th Anniversary Dinner AM/Graham PM	19	20	Prayer 6:30 - 7:30 PM DVD Discussion - Following 21	Bible Way Institute 22 6:30 PM	23	24
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